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The undersigned hereby certifies that U.S. Patent Nos. 5,616,520; 5,684,677; 5,840,417; 5,921,856; 5,953,210; 6,051,489; 6,084,172; and 6,183,874, contained in this information disclosure statement were cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

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